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For: DYE-FORMING COUPLER AND SILVER HALIDE  
COLOR PHOTOGRAPHIC LIGHT-SENSITIVE  
MATERIAL

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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is  
hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Application(s):

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The subject matter contained in the above-listed co-pending  
U.S. application(s) may be deemed to relate to the present  
application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this  
instant application.

Copies of cited U.S. patent application(s) (specification,  
claims, and the drawings) or copies of the portion(s) of the

application(s) which caused it(them) to be cited, including any claims directed to such portion(s) are attached hereto.

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